Misappropriation of loans by General Manager, Sangameshwara Gramin Bank

3193. SHRI ASHIS SEN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the General Manager, Sangameshwara Gramin Bank, Andhra Pradesh an Officer on deputation from State Bank of India, has misappropriated a few lacs of rupees of bank loan and subsidy for his personal benefit which was meant for the weaker sections of the district;

(b) whether Government have received any complaints from the staff associations to the above effect; and

(c) if so, what steps Government propose to take against the above officer to enquire into the above irregularity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and to the extent available will be laid on the Table of the House.

Implementation of National Industrial Tribunal Award for RRBs

3194. SHRI ASHIS SEN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the reasons for delay in full implementation of the National Industrial Tribunals award in respect of regional Rural Banks; and

(b) what steps have been taken or are being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) and (b) Government had issued instructions on 22.2.1991 to all the Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) in pursuance of the acceptance of the Award of the National Industrial Tribunal (NIT) and the recommendations of the Equation Committee granting sponsor bank pay scales and other benefits to the RRBs staff. The instructions of the Government are for implementation by the RRBs. However, no feedback on the status of compliance with the instructions was sought either by Government or by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development.

Non-Implementation of benefits to Regional Rural Banks Sponsored by State Bank of India

3195. SHRI ASHIS SEN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some of the Regional Rural Banks sponsored by the State Bank of India are not passing on the benefits cleared by the Central Government vide their letter dated 22nd February, 1991 to the staff; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken for implementation of Government instructions by the State Bank of India sponsored Regional Rural Banks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and to the extent available will be laid on the Table of the House.

Recruitment of SC/ST Candidates by Banks in Arunachal Pradesh

3196. SHRI NYODEK YONGGAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the branches of nationalised banks functioning in Arunachal Pradesh are following the guidlines issued by the Government of India on reservation policy for employment of Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribe persons of Arunachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, what is the total number of Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe candidates recruited in different categories in the banks during the years 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1991-92 in the State; and

(c) if no Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe candidate has been recruited, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Available information is as under:—

Year	Clerks		Sub-Staff	
	SC	ST	SC	ST
1989	1	18	—	6
1990	—	—	1	4
1991	—	3	—	—
Total	*1*	*21*	*1*	*10*

Recruitment to the Officers' Cadres of the banks is on All India basis only.

RBI Instructions to Banks on Loans taken by 1984 riot victims

3197. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Reserve Bank of India, Bombay has issued a Circular No. RPCD No. PLFS.BCS/PS/126(D)/92-93 dated 9th July, 1992 addressed to all nationalised banks for not initiating legal action against the November, 1984 riot affected borrowers for recovery of dues till the Committee appointed by Govenment to review the credit facilities to riot victims submits its Report;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is the time by when the Report is expected to be submitted by the said Committee?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) vide its Circular dated 9th July, 1992 reiterated its instructions issued in May, 1992, advising banks not to initiate legal action for recovery of dues till the Committee appointed by Government of India to review the credit facility to the November, 1984 riot affected borrowers submitted its report, unless it becomes necessary to do so for reasons such as the loan becoming time bared under the Law of Limitation, etc.

(c) The Government had constituted a Committee of Officers in May, 1992 to review concessions on bank credit to November, 1984 riot affected borrowers. The Committee has submitted its Report to the Government in August, 1992.

Representation from 1984 riot victims Association

3198. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the time by when the Special Committee appointed on 24th April, 1992 under the Chairmanship of Additional Secretary (Banking), Ministry of Finance to assess the credit facilities given to the riot affected borrowers and to recommend relief measures are expected to be submitted for giving reliefs and reducing the burden of Sikh families who took bank loans after November, 1984 riots; and

(b) what action has been taken by Government on the representation submitted by Riot Relief Committee and November, 1984 Riot Victims Association, New Delhi for writing off loans upto Rs. 25,000/- of each borrower, repayments in seven years and reducing interest to 1 per cent p.a.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) and (b) The Government had constituted a Committee of Officers in May, 1992 to review concessions on bank credit to November, 1984 riot affected borrowers. The representation submitted by the Riot Relief Committee and November, 1984 Riot Victims Association, New Delhi was